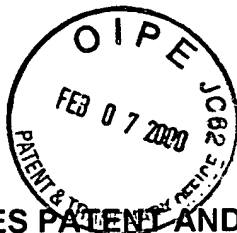


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Applicant: PHIPPS et al.

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Method and Apparatus

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

The Office Action in this application dated 28 July 1999, has been carefully reviewed. In response, the Applicants have amended the claims and provided the remarks herein. The Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of the claims as amended.

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IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Amended) An electrotransport device for in vivo delivery of a charged agent through a body surface at a higher electrotransport agent delivery efficiency (E) defined by the agent delivery rate per unit of applied current; the device (10) having a donor reservoir (26, 46) containing the

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